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Ventura High School Student Charged for Possessing Gun on Campus

VENTURA, Calif. – Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that a 15-year-old Ventura High School student has been charged with multiple offenses after being found with a firearm and ammunition on campus. A juvenile petition alleges felony conspiracy, a gang allegation, carrying a concealed firearm, and possession of a firearm in a school zone.

On January 30, 2025, the minor was arrested on campus by the Ventura Police Department in connection with a December 18, 2024, robbery and assault of another youth on a city bus. During the arrest officers discovered the minor was in possession of a semi-automatic pistol and ammunition. The juvenile was taken into custody and booked at the Juvenile Facility in Oxnard.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Maureen Byrne, Supervisor of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Juvenile Unit, is handling the case.

The minor was arraigned in Juvenile Court on February 3, 2025, where a judge ordered continued detention. A trial is scheduled for February 24, 2025, in courtroom J3 at the Juvenile Justice Complex in Oxnard. The juvenile remains in custody at the Juvenile Facility.